

Vinings Vision Plan

Public Meeting #4

March 13, 2012



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Tonight's Agenda

- Introduction
- Review of previous meetings
- Traffic concepts
- Next steps



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Public Meetings

- First Meeting – May 23, 2011
 - Presentation of existing conditions
 - Small groups to discuss strengths and weaknesses
- Second Meeting – September 20, 2011
 - Presentation of themes
 - Design workshop
- Third Meeting – November 17, 2011
 - Presentation of plan maps (character, master, natural & cultural resources, transportation)
 - Discussion of plan highlights
 - Prioritization exercise and survey



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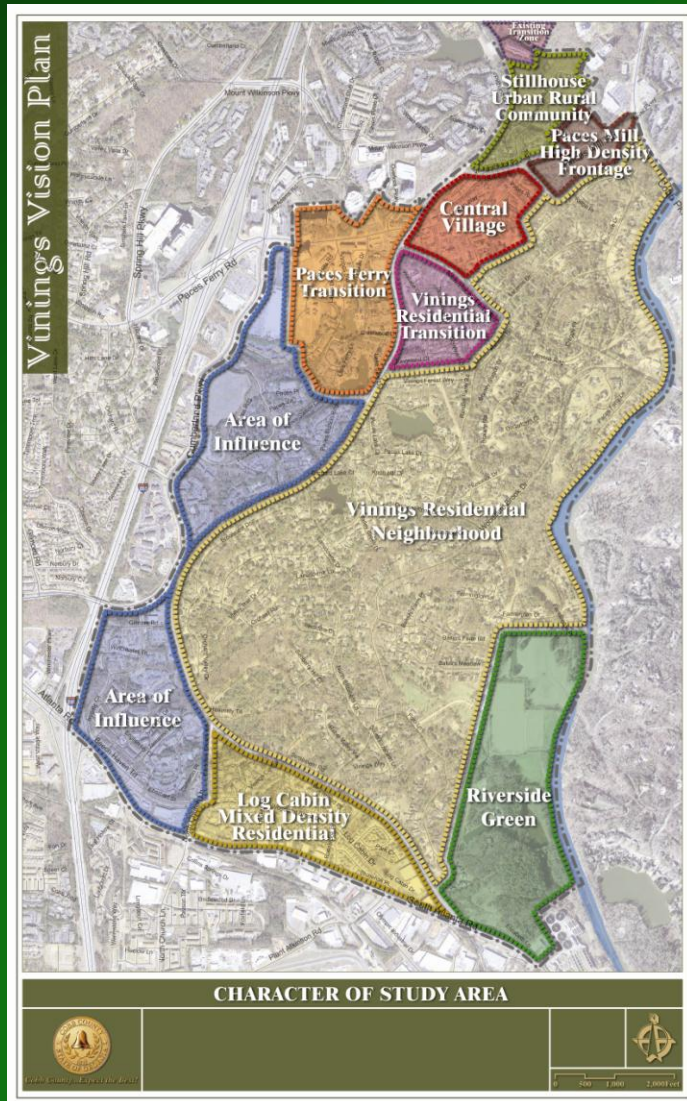
Survey Results

Survey

- Received 59 surveys – not all fully completed
- Based on the responses for each project, percentages were calculated on the number of positive and negative responses.
- Most positive response – Signage to direct traffic away from Vinings (93% approved)
- Majority approved all projects under Historic Preservation, Aesthetics, Natural Environment and Sense of Place
- Most negative response – One-way pairs (61.8% disapproved)



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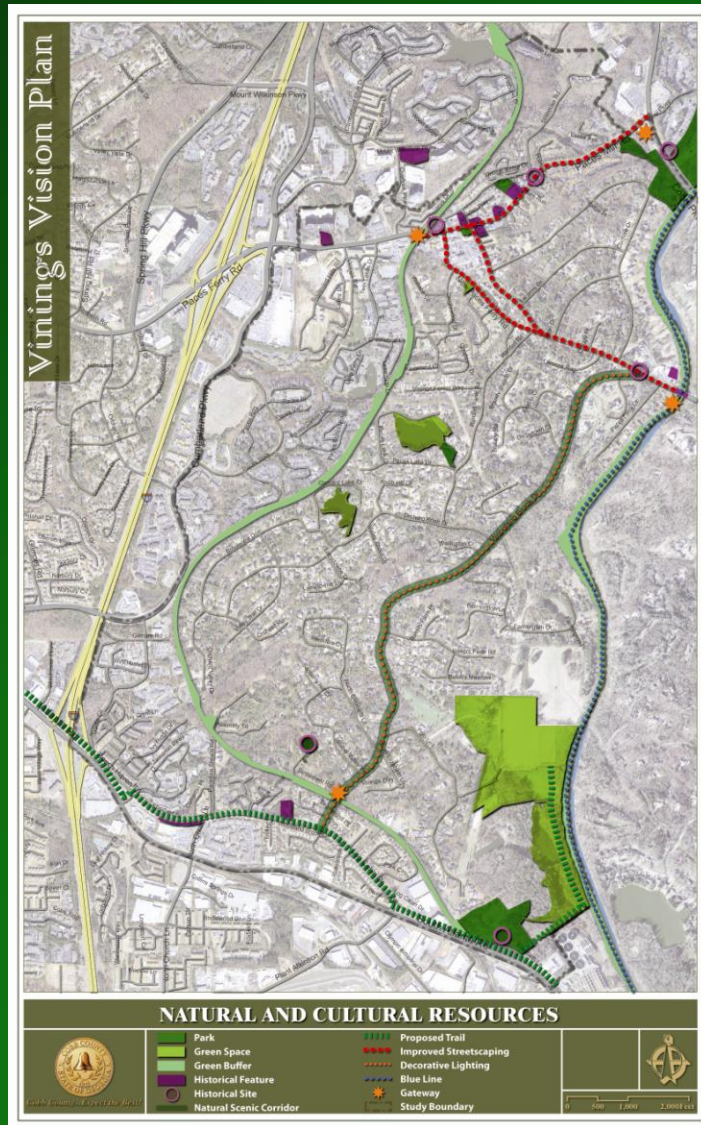
Character of Study Area

- Way of identifying the parts of the study area that have differing characteristics
- Areas will be described in detail in the final document



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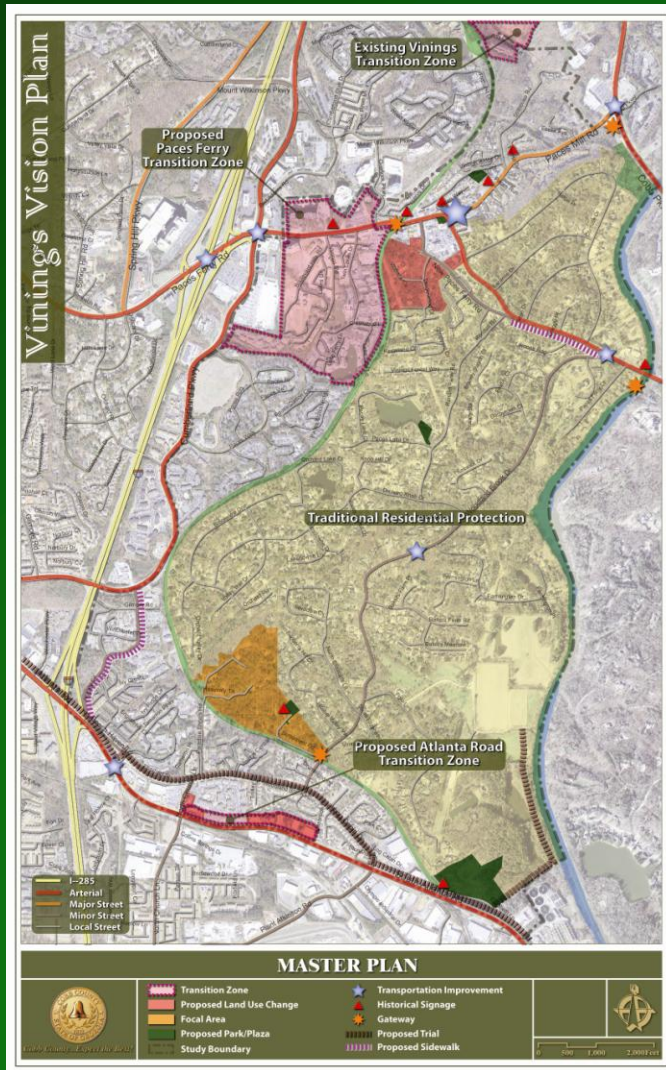
Natural and Cultural Resources

- Identifies potential park, green space and green buffers
- Identifies historic sites and features
- Locates potential streetscape
- Shows how these are linked together with roadways and pedestrian infrastructure



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Master Plan

- Combines land use changes with transportation improvements, as well as other projects to show how they fit together
- Two new transition zones to help protect stable residential neighborhoods



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Plan Highlights

- New transition zones on Paces Ferry and Atlanta Road
- Zoning overlay for Vinings
- Streetscape improvements and burying power lines
- Historic interpretive trail
- Signage at four gateways
- Signage to promote alternate access for Paces Mill/Paces Ferry
- Pedestrian improvements at the Paces Ferry and Paces Mill intersection
- Vinings Common (public plaza) at Paces Ferry and Paces Mill

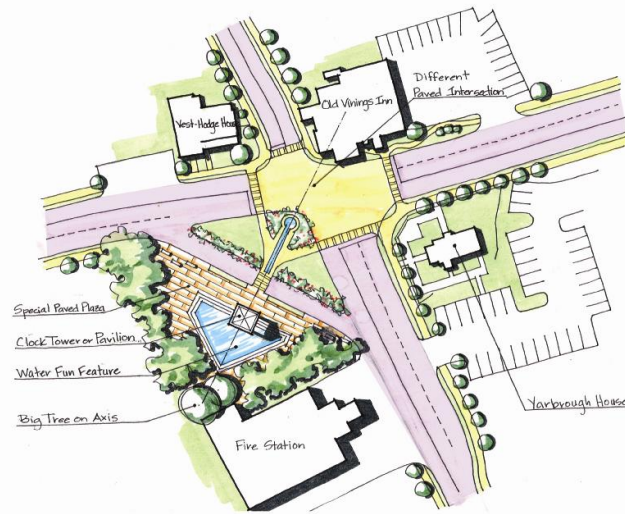


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Option 1



Option 2



Intersection Paving



Traffic Calming



Gateway Feature



Water Feature



Water Feature

Vinings Common

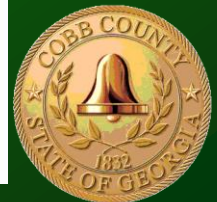
Paces Ferry Road and Paces Mill Road Intersection



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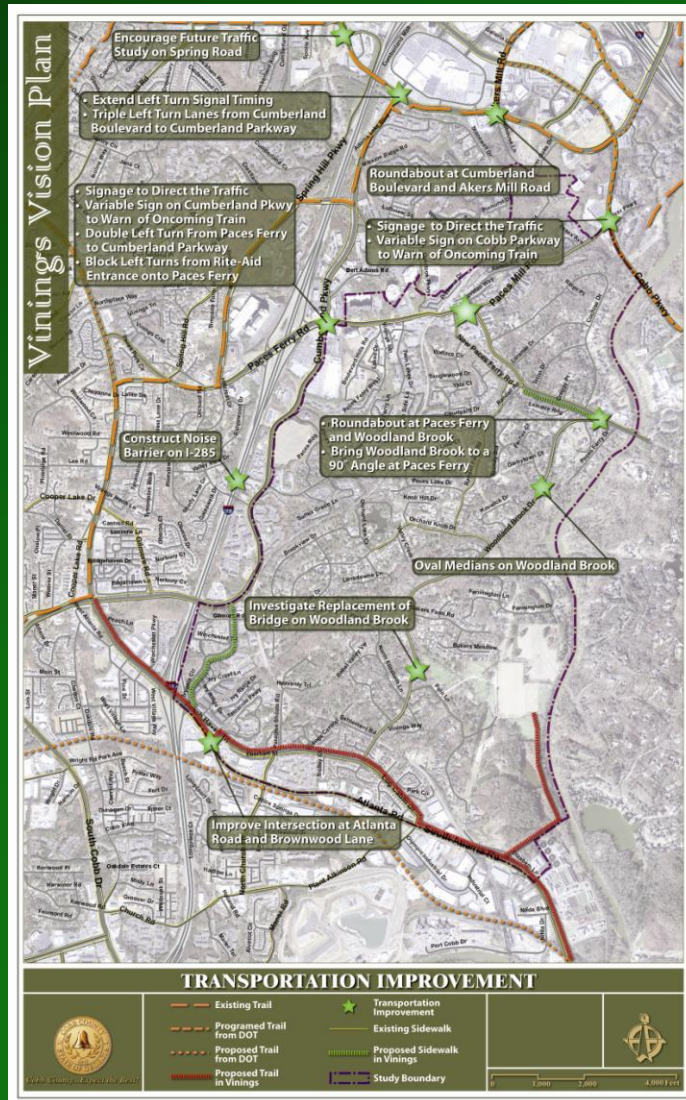
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Transportation Concepts

- Address issues at Paces Ferry and Paces Mill intersection
- Make improvements along Cumberland Blvd. in order to increase traffic flow
- Encourage alternate access around Vinings using Cobb Parkway, Cumberland Blvd. and Cumberland Parkway



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Paces Mill & Paces Ferry Intersection - Solution 1A



One-Way Pairs (*as originally proposed*)

Pros:

- Improve traffic flow and traffic congestion

Cons:

- Would need to address fire truck accessibility
- Limits accessibility for residents on Paces Ferry Rd. and to Cochise Dr., New Paces Ferry Rd., Tanglewood Dr. and Randall Farm Rd.
- Increases cut-through traffic in Jubilee



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Paces Mill & Paces Ferry Intersection - Solution 1B

One-Way Pairs (with alternate cut-through)

Pros:

- Improve traffic flow and traffic congestion
- Provides for through movement of traffic between Paces Ferry and New Paces Ferry
- Creates a Vinings “square” – makes Jubilee true center of Vinings
- Reduces one-way stretches over 1A

Cons:

- Would need to address fire truck accessibility
- Limits accessibility for residents on Paces Ferry and to Cochise and Tanglewood
- More expensive than Solution 1A



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Paces Ferry and Paces Mill Intersection – Solution 2



- New left turn from Paces Mill Road to Paces Ferry Road



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Paces Ferry and Paces Mill Intersection - Solution 2

New Left Turn Lane on Paces Mill Road

Pros:

- Improve some traffic flow and traffic congestion
- Gets turning traffic out of the way for through traffic

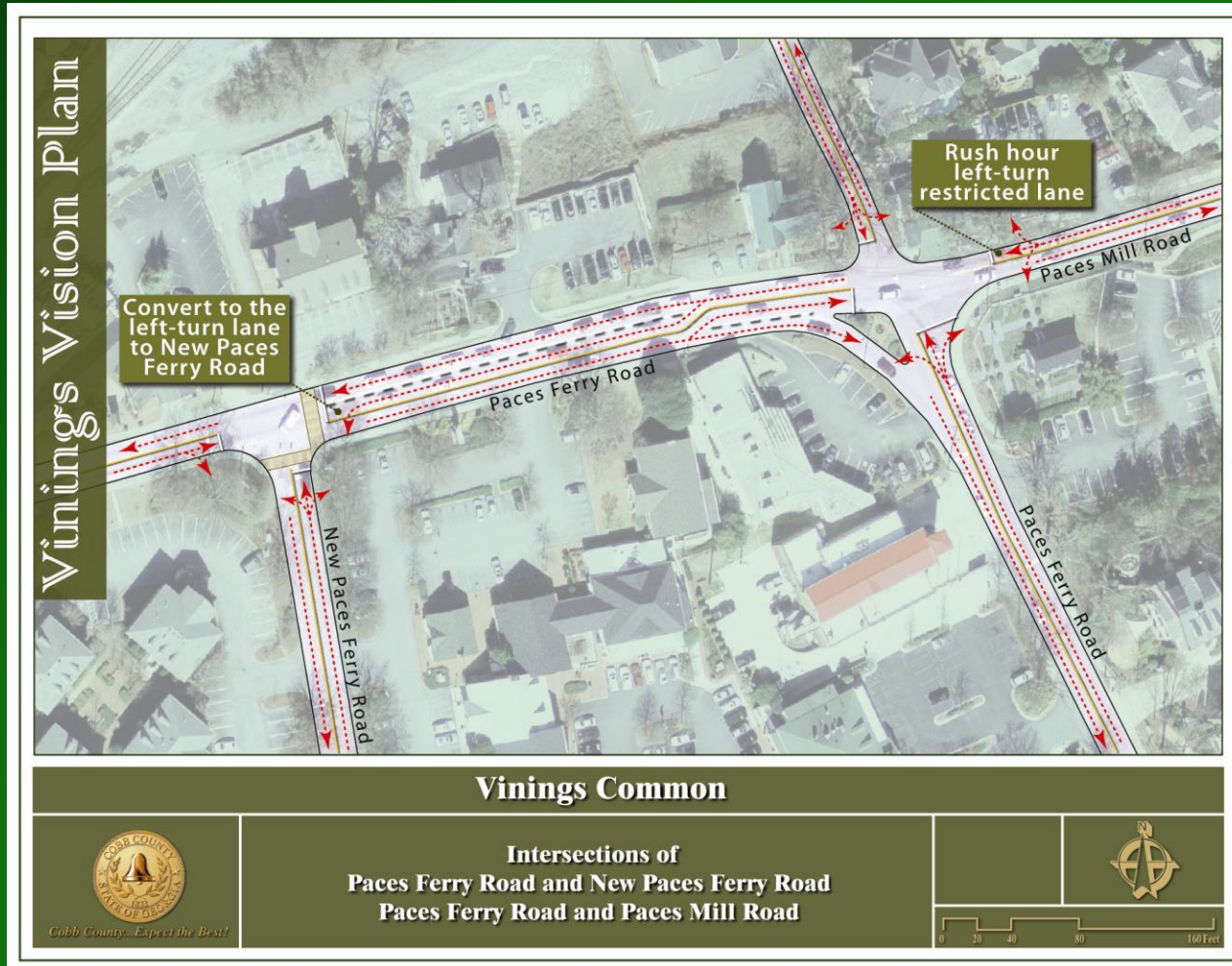
Cons:

- Greatly impacts historic building
- Destroys part of historic character of Vinings
- Does not address larger flow issues
- Decreases pedestrian safety by increasing right-of-way width.



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Paces Ferry and Paces Mill Intersection – Solution 3



- New left turn from Paces Ferry Road to New Paces Ferry Road



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Paces Mill & Paces Ferry Intersection – Solution 3

*New Left Turn from Paces Ferry Road to
New Paces Ferry Road*

Cost Estimate - \$250,000

Pros:

- Improves traffic flow and traffic congestion
- Has minimal impact on existing physical environment
- Restricts left turns from Paces Mill to Paces Ferry during peak hours
- Least expensive of all the options

Cons:

- Educating public on new traffic flow
- Increases traffic on New Paces Ferry Road



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Paces Ferry and Woodland Brook Intersection

Roundabout

Cost Estimate: \$927,000

Pros:

- Improves traffic flow
- Improves traffic safety; reduces crash rates
- Reduces delay for cars passing through intersection
- Calms traffic and reduces speed
- Assists in pedestrian safety
- Provides a gateway feature for Vinings



Cons:

- Educating drivers on using roundabouts



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Next Steps

- Finalize draft document
- Release for public review
- Present to Planning Commission
- Present to Board of Commissioners for final approval

